

COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES

POLICY

Establish and maintain a high level of public facilities and services to meet the needs of the community.

FURTHER

- Provide local recreational opportunities for residents of the Midway area.
- Provide and maintain adequate pedestrian access and bikeway linkages to and from recreational areas such as Cabrillo National Monument, the adjacent Ocean Beach area, the Old Town State Historic Park and the City-owned recreation facilities located in the Old Town area.
- Provide an aesthetically pleasing environment and an array of visitor-oriented services along major transportation routes which lead to significant recreational resource areas.
- Provide for adequate educational facilities to meet the existing and future needs of the community.
- Improve the quality of the educational learning environment where feasible.
- Promote the safety of school children who walk to and from school activities.
- Provide adequate library service to meet the needs of residents.
- Promote access to library facilities.
- Systematically improve water and sewer lines in the planning area.
- Maintain adequate landscaping at all water and sewer facilities.
- Systematically improve gas and electric facilities in the planning area to meet existing and future demands.
- Maintain adequate landscaping or other means of screening at all gas regulator and electric substation facilities.
- Maintain a high level of police protection throughout the Midway/Pacific Highway Corridor community planning area.
- Maintain a high level of fire protection throughout the Midway area.
- Support the regular upgrading of fire stations and traffic control signals so as to provide an adequate response to fires and other emergencies.

ACTION PLAN

Implementation Measures	Timing			Responsibility For Implementation	Source of Funding	Index to Action Detail
	Adopt With Plan	Next Five Years	Six to 20 Years			
Establish a joint park facility at Dewey Elementary School and additional public recreational facilities as identified in this element		●		Park and Recreation Department, San Diego Unified School District	City	Specific Recommendations B and G
Construct a new elementary school in the vicinity of the Sports Arena with redevelopment to residential use			●	San Diego Unified School District	City, SDUSD	Specific Recommendation D
Underground utilities, improving the visual quality of the Pacific Highway Corridor		●		Engineering and Development Department	City and Private	Specific Recommendation M

SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS

Park and Recreation Facilities

- A. Require the provision of private recreational facilities in conjunction with new planned residential development projects.
- B. Establish a five-acre joint-use park site adjacent to the Dewey Elementary School, establish a two-acre park with a recreation building and a mini-park in the community, and provide additional public recreational facilities for neighborhood use where feasible.
- C. Landscape those commercial areas which are located along major transportation routes that lead to regional recreational resource areas such as Cabrillo National Monument, Old Town State Historic Park, and Ocean Beach.

Schools

- D. Construct a new elementary school in the vicinity of the current Sports Arena as the area redevelops for residential use. Improve the outdoor recreational facilities and landscaping at the Dewey Elementary school site and establish a public joint school/park use facility for the neighborhood.

- E. Acoustical insulation should be installed in the Dewey Elementary school building. Noise levels within the building should be reduced to 65 decibels or lower per the recommendations of the General Plan.
- F. Provide and maintain street and safety improvements such as crosswalks, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, additional light signals, and other safety measures where necessary to ensure the safety of school children who walk to and from school activities. The street drain on Sellers Street should be redesigned for proper drainage if feasible, or the school crosswalk should be relocated to a convenient location.
- G. If the school district vacates the Dewey Elementary site, the possibility of developing a public recreational center should be explored.

Library Facilities

- F. Identify any areas which may be suitable for bookmobile service stops.
- G. Strengthen and reinforce auto, pedestrian, and bikeway routes to library facilities.

Water and Sewer Service

- J. A comprehensive program of water and sewer line replacement should be timed and phased so as to adequately meet the community's water and sewer needs.
- K. The landscaping and appearance of the Jupiter Street pump station should be upgraded.
- L. The abandoned structure at Pump Station No. 3 should be removed and the lot should be attractively landscaped.

Gas and Electric Service

- M. Underground existing overhead electric power lines where economically feasible, and within underground utility districts established by the City.
- N. Improve the appearance of the electric substation at Kettner Boulevard and Vine Street through landscaping and/or redwood slatted chain link fencing.

Police Protection

- O. Require residential and commercial developers to incorporate the defensible space considerations of the Urban Design elements of this plan into the design of all projects.
- P. Residents and property owners should be encouraged to actively support their community alert (Neighborhood Watch) programs.
- Q. The Police Department should continue its effort to curtail prostitution in the area.

Fire Protection

- R. Support regular enforcement of weed and litter abatement on vacant and undeveloped lots, as well as on all sites with vacant buildings.
- S. Support regular enforcement of building and fire codes in all areas; particularly those areas with deteriorating structures which represent a potential fire hazard.
- T. Include funding in the City's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget to assure inclusion of traffic signals with automatic changing devices which pre-empt the right-of-way for emergency vehicles.

